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Hon. Anne K. Quinlan
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Re: *STB Docket No. AB-55 (670X), CSX Transportation, Inc. –
Abandonment Exemption -- in Middlesex County, Massachusetts*

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan:

Reference is made to the letter, dated October 6, 2009 (and filed with the Board on October 21, 2009), from Martha White, Town Administrator, on behalf of The Town of Natick, MA (the "Town") requesting a 180-day extension of the NITU negotiating period (the "Extension Request") with CSX Transportation, Inc ("CSXT") in the above-captioned proceeding.

CSXT hereby acknowledges and concurs with the Extension Request in all respects. Accordingly, CSXT respectfully requests the NITU negotiating period be extended for 180 days to May 7, 2010 and the time to consummate the abandonment of the line in the above-captioned proceeding to July 6, 2010.

CSXT is e-filing this notice. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Very truly yours,

Kathryn R. Barney

cc: Parties of Record

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